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SUBJECT: FIRST U.S. SOLO EXHIBITION IN COLOMBIA; SEPT '75

1. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE PROCUREMENT NEARING FINALIZATION
WITH 9 PARTICIPATION AGREEMENTS IN HAND, 17 VERBALS AND 20
ADDITIONAL SERIOUS PROSPECTS EXPECTED TO FINALIZE BY CLOSING
DATE OF DECEMBER 20. IN ADDITION, STATES OF PENNSYLVANIA,
MISSISSIPPI, FLORIDA AND ALABAMA ARE ENLISTING FIRMS.

2. USDOC COMMENDS POST ON 14 PARTICIPANTS SIGNED LOCALLY,
INCLUDING SEVERAL FOR LARGE BLOCKS OF SPACE CONTINGENT ON ANIT-
CIPATED WAIVER 40 PERCENT PRIOR IMPORT DEPOSIT AND AVAILABILITY
BLANKET IMPORT LICENSE FOR ALL EQUIPMENT ENTERING U. S. SOLO
EXHIBITION AS CUSTOMARY AT BOGOTA INTERNATIONAL FAIR.

3. WE ARE AMAZED TO LEARN NOW INCOMEX HAS NOT YET OFFICIALLY
GRANTED THESE REQUIREMENTS WHICH ARE CRUCIAL TO THE
TIMELY FINALIZATION OF U.S. AND POST PROCUREMENT AND MEETING
JANUARY--FEBRUARY SHIPPING DEADLINES.

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4. UNLESS POST HAS BEEN SUCCESSFUL IN OBTAINING THESE TWO

PREREQUISITES, NAMELY THE WAIVER OF 40 PERCENT PRIOR IMPORT
DEPOSIT PAYMENT REQUIREMENT AND THE GRANTING OF A BLANKET
IMPORT LICENSE FOR EXHIBITION MATERIALS, BY COB DECEMBER 13,
COMMERCE REGRETFULLY MUST CANCEL THIS EXHIBITION.

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